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FROM BEAUTIFUL PORTO RICO

Descriptive Letter From Guayama, Porto Rico—An Auto Trip Across a Summer Land of the Seas—An American Who Honors America by His Service

BY MRS. F. E. KENTON

Dear Friends at Home:

Guayama, P. R., Nov. 5, 1916.

In a letter written before leaving the island of Porto Rico, I spoke of meeting on board several people who live in Porto Rico. We learned from them many interesting and valuable things for us to know but to many queries the usual answer seemed to be "It all depends on where you are located."

About 3:30 Wednesday November 1st, the island of Porto Rico could be seen from the steamship "Carolina." We stood on the upper forward deck from that time on. At a distance of eight miles the towers of the wireless station could be distinctly seen. The day was perfect, the atmosphere so clear that the deep of the ocean looking toward the west, seemed as blue as the horizon line as it did near the boat.

We were most fortunate, for as we approached the island three of our steamship friends, Mr. Scherr, an American who had been at the table with us, Mr. Barlow, a School Superintendent and Mrs. Domeneck, wife of the Commissioner of the Interior, all came to us and pointed out the places of interest. There is a splendid Catholic church built by funds contributed by Catholic churches in the States. The Palace, the House of Ponce de Leon and the historic Morro Castle at the extreme point on the left as we enter the Bay. Laper Island is at the right, a very pleasant looking place where the lepers are well cared for.

Words cannot describe the beautiful view across the bay, first there is the fringe of palms on a stretch of lowlands from which rises the sharply outlined foot hills, and in the distance the mountains.

We met the steamship "Brajan" starting on her return trip to New York and mail going back to the States was transferred to her from our boat. I wished that my friends might be there too, as I watched the wonderful sunset.

The old walls of the City of San Juan are mostly in good preservation and partly vine covered. The gardens of palm and flowers are beautiful, the old buildings quaint and interesting and the government buildings are fine structures.

Mr. Miller, Commissioner of Education came on board and we were introduced to him by Mrs. Domeneck. We had arranged to stay on board the boat rather than go to a hotel, thru the advice of Mrs. Domeneck.

After dinner we went with two ladies from New York, who occupied a neighboring stateroom, up into the City as far as the Plaza around which are grouped government buildings. The sidewalks are very narrow, made of cement with a stone border; the streets are paved and also narrow—just wide enough for two automobiles to pass. Automobiles seem as common here as in the States.

The shops are very attractive. The telephone building is six stories high, the older buildings are not high, possibly on account of the occasional hurricanes sweeping over the island.

After breakfast Thursday morning we were to report to the Commissioner's office. After a short conference in regard to vacancies in several places, Mr. Miller concluded a teacher was needed in Guayama, a city of 8,000 on the southern coast of the island just three miles from the sea. Mr. Miller arranged for a government car, a seven passenger Studebaker, to take us for the thirty mile drive over the mountains. We started at one o'clock in company with Mr. and Mrs. Miller over this road of wonderful engineering and long time building, the King's Highway. Let me say here, this ride was the most thrilling experience of my whole life.

We whirled along past fine residences with wonderful tropical gardens, modern schools and other buildings on into the foot hills where we

saw banana groves, pineapple and sugar cane fields and beautiful views at every turn of mountains and valleys and streams. In this place, "every turn" means much, for a large part of the way, we continued to go in a straight line scarcely the length of the automobile.

And then we began to climb around the side of the mountains, the "serpentine trail" it is called in some descriptions. There are toward the top of the range sharp turns around peaks and curves where one looks into great depths across which may be seen the road on the mountain beyond.

We descended into a valley, after having passed many tobacco fields covered with cheese cloth to protect them from the hot sun, and came to a town with tobacco manufacturing plants. The odor of the place was delicious. After this perhaps a quarter of a mile of straight road, and then another climb, more crooked, more widely beautiful and scene than before. We passed coffee trees and beautiful flowers all along the way.

We met several showers on the way; and after one, we saw a rainbow seeming to lay up against the side of a mountain. The marvelous beauty of this against the green canopy of the forest is not to be described. The mountains are only about 4000 feet above sea level and are covered by the very tops with green grass and a few trees.

At several places we saw the clouds floating below us above the valleys. Six miles above Guayama the car was stopped to give us a chance to look upon our future home on a table land and beyond the sugar cane fields and beyond the sea. To the east we saw, from this point, one of the irrigation systems of this section.

For a number of weeks there have been heavy rains, these are nearly over and then will come several months of dry weather. The weather here resembles Ohio rains in only one particular—they are wet. They come, perhaps when the sun is shining, seemingly out of clear sky, with a great and sudden down pour. In a little while it is all over. Just in the beginning of one of these down pours as we came down the side of a mountain and rounded a sharp turn we had a blow out. The chauffeur calmly climbed out in the rain and put on a new tire.

Presently on coming around a bend in the road we found ourselves almost in the City of Guayama. We were hungry people and enjoyed an excellent dinner at Hotel "Paris."

At the hotel, in the evening, we met the supervisor of this district and the President of the School Board, both Porto Rican gentlemen, educated in the States; also the American teachers, there are six here.

Before I leave the subject of schools I wish to say something of Mr. Miller. He is a Wisconsin man, holds a chair in the State University and at present is on leave of absence. He is keen and alert, has a wonderful grasp of the educational problems of the island, is devoted to its best interests and is evidently beloved by the people with whom he works. He is recently appointed a Porto Rican gentleman educated in the States as assistant Commissioner of Education, not as he says simply because he is a Porto Rican, but because according to the judgment of Mr. Miller he is the best man available to fill the position.

There are many problems here, and a man who can do the work so successfully and so conscientiously as Mr. Miller is doing, deserves the support and the honor of the folks back home.

OLD RESIDENT DIES

Mr. Joseph Border, a resident of Fulton county for fifty years, died at Antwerp, Ohio, on November 12, 1916, after a prolonged illness. Mr. Border was born December 9, 1842, at Millersburg, Ohio, and came to Fulton county at the age of eleven years. In 1876 he married Miss Amy Amelia Doane. Four children, three of whom are living, were born to them. Mrs. Amy Border died on May 26, 1902. Seven years later Mr. Border was united in marriage to Mrs. Margaret Purdy and they made their home in Antwerp.

Mr. Border is survived by his widow by his sister Mrs. Ben Eckhart from whose home on West Elm street he was buried, by two sons, Myron J. and John D. Border of Wauseon, by a daughter, Mrs. Selma Townsend of Monroe, Michigan, and by ten grand children. Services were held at Antwerp, and in Wauseon where the interment was made.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank the neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us, and who comforted us in our bereavement of our father, Joseph Border.

MRS. BENJAMIN ECKHART,
MYRON J. BORDER,
JOHN D. BORDER.

COURAGE OF THEIR CONVICTIONS

The folks at home have reason to be proud of the boys who are representing Fulton county in the student body of Ohio State University at Columbus. The following appeared in the Columbus Daily Monitor of November 8th, and will explain itself: To the Editor of The Monitor:

We, the undersigned students of the Ohio State University, take this means of expressing our hearty approval of the use of Ohio State University names and activities in the Hostler-Columbus beer advertisement in the Sunday edition of the Dispatch and Journal. We sincerely hope such use will not be made in your paper. We consider it antagonistic to the principles which the student body uphold.

RALPH HOWARD,
RON D. BURGOON,
G. WHITNEY SOWER,
BRYAN HEISE,
PEARL W. CAULKINS,
MARK PATTERSON,
W. L. ACKERMAN.

WEATHER FORECAST

Forecast for the week beginning Sunday, November 12, 1916.
Ohio Valley and Tennessee—Rain Sunday, and rain possibly changing to Tuesday, will be followed by generally fair weather until near the end of the week. Much colder weather will overpass this district Sunday night and Monday, and cold weather will continue thereafter until about Thursday, when it will become warmer.

Region of the Great Lakes—Cold weather will prevail the first half of the week; the latter half of the week will be warmer. Snow over the southern portion of the district at the beginning of the week will be followed by generally fair weather until Thursday or Friday, when local snows are again probable.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER

The World's Evangelical Alliance have sent out to the pastors of churches everywhere in this world the call and the program for the Annual week of united prayer, to begin on Sunday December 31st, 1916 and to continue until Saturday January 6th, 1917.

Very appropriate to us seems the program for prayer on January 3rd: Prayer for Nations and their Rulers. For the world-wide recognition of the supreme law of love.

For the development of brotherhood among the nations.
That the growing spirit of Nationalism may be guided by Christian ideals.

Head-Off That All-Winter Cough.
At the first sign of sore throat, tight chest or stuffed-up head take a dose of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. This healing pin-tar, soothing honey and glycerine quickly relieve the congestion, loosen the phlegm and break up your cold. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey has all the benefits of the healing aroma from a pine forest, it is pleasant to take and antiseptic. The formula on the bottle tells why it relieves colds and coughs. At your Druggist, 25c.

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Facts and Figures, Information and Interesting Items Regarding The United States Bureau of Pensions.

Through the courtesy of Gaylord M. Saltzger, Commissioner of Pensions and Pensions, always give the full name and post office address of the claimant and see that every letter, affidavit, or other paper has endorsed on it the number of the claim, the full name of the soldier on whose service the claim is based, and the company and regiment in which he served.

Pensioners desiring to change their post office address should notify the Disbursing Clerk, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D. C., at least thirty days before payment is due.

No change will be made unless the full name and certificate number are given.

Checks will not be sent in care of another person, a firm, or a corporation. The regulations have been recently amended so that a duplicate of a lost pension check may now be issued after 30 days from the date of the original.

HISTORICAL

There are now no pensioners on account of the Revolutionary War on the roll. The last widow pensioner of that war was Esther S. Damon, of Plymouth, Vt., who died November 11, 1906, aged 92 years. The last survivor of the Revolution was Daniel F. Brakeman, who died at Freedom, Cattaraugus County, N. Y., April 5, 1889, aged 108 years, 6 months and 8 days.

The last surviving pensioned soldier of the War of 1812 was Hiram Cronk, of Ava, Mo. Y., who died May 13, 1905, aged 105 years and 16 days. The names of 115 widows of the War of 1812 remained on the pension roll June 30, 1916.

EXPENDITURES

For the year ending June 30, 1915, \$165,518,266
For the year ending June 30, 1916, 159,155,090
Paid to pensioners in foreign countries:
For the year ending June 30, 1915, \$ 945,220
For the year ending June 30, 1916, 910,848

INTERESTING FACTS

Total number of pensioners on the roll June 30, 1915, 748,147
Total number of pensioners on the roll June 30, 1916, 709,572
Civil War soldiers on roll June 30, 1915, 396,370
Civil War soldiers on roll June 30, 1916, 362,277
Civil War widows on roll June 30, 1915, 289,218
Civil War widows on roll June 30, 1916, 286,080

Number of deaths:
Civil War soldiers—
1915, 33,255
1916, 34,252
Widows, minors, and dependents:
1915, 17,915
1916, 19,967
War soldiers on the roll was in 1898, 745,822
The largest number of Civil War widows on the roll was in 1912, 304,373
War of 1812 widows on the roll June 30, 1916, 115
Survivors on the roll June 30, 1916, 513
Widows on the roll June 30, 1916, 3,785

Total number allowed by the Pension Bureau, 39,091
Number granted by special acts, 1,508
Pensioners on roll June 30, 1916, 28,472
Number pensioned under special acts, 1,164
One thousand one hundred and thirty-two is the number of employees provided for the Pension Bureau; of

these two hundred and twenty are old soldiers. During the year ending June 30th, 1916, 4,418,691 pieces of mail were handled in this bureau; 65,559 applications were received and 68,549 certificates were issued.

JAMES A. GORSUCH.
Was born July 27, 1851 and died in Wauseon November 8, 1916. Death resulted from a stroke of paralysis which occurred on Monday and from which he did not regain consciousness. His age was sixty-five years, three months and twelve days.

He is survived by his wife Mary Alice Gorsuch, two brothers Harve H. Gorsuch of Cleveland and Thomas Gorsuch of Wauseon. There are two daughters, Mrs. Lilly Meyers and Clara Gorsuch and four sons, Cleve, Irvin, Ernest and Henry. Two children, Aylet and George have preceded him to the grave.

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CHANCELLOR BRADFORD.
One of the most valuable and at the same time one of the most eloquent lecturers ever delivered in Wauseon was that given by Chancellor Geo. H. Bradford as the second number on the High School Lecture Course. Dr. Bradford's subject was "Sumner's Manhood" and he held the large audience which filled the High School Auditorium at rapt attention for an hour and twenty-five minutes as he magnificently presented a magnificent and impressive picture of America, the corner stones of its greatness, the opportunities which it offers to its young men and women, the hour to hour places on true manhood and the splendid tasks to which it calls its men and women in service for humanity.

EASTERN STAR

The Order of the Eastern Star elected the following officers, Tuesday evening:

W. P. D. S. Knight
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KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Tuesday evening November 21st, there will be work in the First Rank. The champion Wauseon Page Rank Team will put on the work. Every member of Lodge No. 156 requested to be present. A cordial invitation extended to Brother Knights of other lodges.

SUFFERER FROM INDIGESTION RELIEVED.

"Before taking Chamberlain's Tablets my husband suffered for several years from indigestion, causing him to have pains in the stomach and distress after eating. Chamberlain's Tablets relieved him of these spells right away," writes Mrs. Theodora Casey, Geneva, N. Y. Obtainable everywhere.

MISS LOOMIS' DANCING SCHOOL

This dancing school will be held at 7:00 o'clock \$4.00 for ten lessons. Payable \$1.00 a week, until paid. Assembly 8:45. Ladies 25c. Gentlemen 50c. 32-4f

Rev. Wharton will preach Sunday morning in the Christian Church on Life's Lonely Place, and the evening on Shipping Empty Coats.

AFTER ELECTION

The Result in Nation, State and County—A Republican Point of View—Items From The Daily Press That Indicate the Trend of Affairs.

In face of the uncertainty of the result of the Presidential Election in many States it still seems probable that Woodrow Wilson will succeed himself as President of the United States and that Charles E. Hughes has been defeated as a candidate for that office.

In the State of Ohio, in spite of the fact that he ran 80,000 votes behind the head of his ticket and that his opponent, Governor Willis, ran 80,000 votes ahead of his ticket, James M. Cox was elected governor and with him the entire Democratic ticket of State officers.

The Republican party ticket was elected in this county with the exception of that of surveyor; C. P. Weber the Democratic nominee was elected by the narrow margin of 47 votes over C. O. Castle the Republican candidate. Another surprise for the Republicans was that in Fulton county the majority for the Republican candidate for President was surprisingly small while the vote for Mr. Willis for Governor was very large.

From a Republican point of view, the main issue in the campaign was the tariff though the attitude of the administration in foreign affairs, the manipulation of the Mexican situation, "pork barrel" methods in the passage of River and Harbor and other Appropriation bills, increase of expenses of government, direct taxation and other items of the Democratic administration furnished ample ground for Republican criticism.

The Democratic answer on the tariff issue was weak, in fact from a Republican point of view not an answer but an evasion; they simply called attention to the creation of a Tariff Commission. Fortunately for the Democratic party the extraordinary trade conditions growing out of the European war covered up and transformed the conditions which followed the application of the free trade policy of the Underwood Law and the unprecedented industrial prosperity growing out of "War Orders" seems to have so dazzled a majority of the American citizens that they failed to perceive that this prosperity is but temporary and that with its cessation the country must inevitably be plunged into trade and industrial conditions that will bring panic hunger and privation to the masses of the people.

The Democratic party emphasized the present prosperity conditions, which they are in no wise responsible for, and adopted as their campaign slogan "He kept us out of war" and he gave us an eight hour day," both of which were discredited and proven fallacious by Republican campaign speakers.

Mr. Hughes, if defeated is not discredited and the Republican principles for which he stood are not repudiated. Four years more of Democratic administration are likely to make those Republican principles look very desirable to the American public.

News items in the daily press seem to indicate that the reaction has set in even before absolutely certainty regarding the election results are known. Representatives of 50,000 mine workers in the Mining district of Ohio have asked both President Wilson and Governor Willis to make official investigation to determine the cause of the high cost of living and take steps to so reduce prices as to place the necessities of life within financial reach of wage earners; they declare that the earnings of men who are working steadily are not sufficient to purchase necessities of life for even small families and that actual distress and hunger prevail in families where men are steadily employed.

This may be taken either as a commentary on the present prosperity or an indication of what is to come. The railroads of the country have begun their fight to test the constitutionality of the Adamson Bill in dead earnest. The Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe Railway led the way and thus far the Chicago Rock Island and Pacific, Chicago Great Western, Milwaukee and St. Paul, and the Union

Pacific have followed suit. On the other hand according to press reports government officials have been informally notified by representatives of the four brotherhoods involved that no matter what legal action is taken, unless the Adamson law goes into effect January 1st, 1917 the general strike narrowly averted two months ago will be called. So much for the "eight hour law." Mexican matters are really presenting more of a problem than ever the reports from Mexico now indicate that Villa is gaining control in Mexico U. S. citizens are under sentence of death from Carranza authorities two accused of being cattle thieves and one accused as a Villa spy.

Mr. Wilson will have four years of strenuous work for which the reward will be the ingratitude of many and the biting criticism of many more.

STORY HOUR.
There will be two public library story hours Saturday afternoon. At 2:15 o'clock Mrs. W. C. Schaffer will tell to children from kindergarten to third grade age, inclusive the fables and myths she was to have told last week.

At three o'clock Miss Marie Drevel will tell of Moses and the Hebrews to pupils from fourth to eighth grades, inclusive. It is the plan at every meeting of this older section to have the story of some great nation told as exemplified by its leading man or woman and several men and women all good story tellers are to present these characters.

That story hours are popular is shown by an attendance of sixty-eight children last Saturday at the single session for little children.

Men Feel Tired, Too.

While much is said about tired women it must be remembered that men also pay the penalty of overwork. When the kidneys are weak, inactive or sluggish, when one feels tired out and miserable, has the blues, lacks energy and ambition, Foley Kidney Pills are tonic and strengthening. They act quickly. Fink & Haumesser's.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

November 13, 1916:
Mr. Clayton Andrews, Mrs. W. S. Casner, Mrs. Walter Clark, Miss Con. Flora, E. B. Crates, Mrs. S. Davidson, Mrs. H. J. Weststead, Miss Ella Hayes, E. S. Pennington, Guy Pike, Mr. J. A. Smith, Mrs. Ranch Stickle, Wilford Stittes, John Taylor.

TUESDAY CLUB

November Twenty-first
Roll Call Current Events
A Glimpse of Ecuador, Lizzie Ruppert
Guiana—French, Dutch and
British Adelle DeMerritt
Hostess—Mary Moyer

MRS. LEANDER BUXTON

A Beautiful Christian Life Passed to Her Reward—Died After Brief Illness at Her Home on Prospect Street.

Louise Myer was born in Switzerland, September 24, 1862. She came to this country about 1890, and about two years later became a member of the Buxton family. From that time she was the ever ready helper in the home and neighborhood. Then, on February 12, 1905, occurred the death of "mama" Buxton, as she always called Mrs. Buxton, with whom she had been the closest companion during those many years.

Because of her long relation with the family, it was no surprise that she was united in marriage with Mr. Leander Buxton, which occurred January 7, 1907.

Early in life she became a Christian and her faithfulness to her profession could never be questioned. At the time of her coming into the Buxton family she was the superintendent of the German Reform Sunday School sometime after entering her new home she united with the Ambrose Baptist church. Its interests were ever after her interests and no service was too great for her to give.

On the removal to Wauseon they united with the Baptist church, she being a tried and faithful member till her death.

For a long time she has been more of a physical sufferer than any one can tell. After a brief acute illness finally, Saturday morning, November 11, as the sun was rising, she passed to that bright eternal day where the sun never sets and the lamb is the light thereof, and there shall be no more night.

Not only do all the immediate family mourn her departure, but a very large circle of neighbors and acquaintances grieve because they have all lost a dear friend.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Baptist church conducted by her pastor, Rev. T. B. Ashen, assisted by a former pastor Rev. B. G. Bowman. Interment in Wauseon cemetery.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral services were: Rev. and Mrs. D. L. Woods, Erie, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Johnson and Mr. H. L. Johnson, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Buxton, Detroit, Michigan; Mr. Thomas Buxton and Mrs. Geo. Buxton, Utica, Ohio; Mrs. J. W. Buxton, (Continued on page ten)

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